

BLUE HILL AVE & THE RAISE GRANT

What is the RAISE Grant?

The RAISE Grant is a national U.S. Department of Transportation grant that is highly competitive. Blue Hill Avenue was selected to receive \$15 million because of the benefits the project will have for safety, environmental sustainability, quality of life, economic competitiveness, state of good repair, innovation, and partnership.

What does winning the RAISE Grant mean for Blue Hill Avenue?

The City has funding to design and implement center-running bus lanes and other traffic safety and quality of life improvements along Blue Hill Avenue, from Mattapan Station to Grove Hall.

What have the City and MBTA committed to?

The City and MBTA have committed to center-running bus lanes, pedestrian safety improvements, bike safety improvements, and a newly paved road.

How can I get involved?

We will host many community events along Blue Hill Avenue in the coming months. Keep an eye out for us! You can also join our mailing list and learn more about the project by visiting boston.gov/blue-hill-avenue.



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Boston's approach to street design is centered on people, whether they walk, bike, take transit, or drive.

50 People in 1 Bus



50 People in 50 Bikes



50 People in 50 Cars



source: Cycling Promotion Fund via Human Transit

The comparison above shows the amount of space needed for 50 people to ride in a bus, on bikes, or in cars. Simply put, Boston's streets cannot fit all residents and visitors in cars. To relieve traffic, we need to make it comfortable and convenient for people to choose to travel by bus and bike.

By putting buses into their own lanes, they become more reliable and can make more trips with the same number of drivers and buses. These changes make transit a better option for people and help take cars off the road. This all has the added benefit of making it easier for people to choose biking and walking as healthy ways to get around.



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